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Bishop Hannington and the Story of the Uganda Mission. By W. Grinton Berry. vi and 208 pp., with Portrait and Sketches. Fleming H. Revell Co., New York, 1908. (Price, \$1.00.)

Bishop Hannington, of the Church Missionary Society of England, was murdered by order of Mwanga, King of Uganda, in 1885, three years after he had entered the African field. This king, son of Mtesa, whom Speke and Stanley made famous in their books, was a youth of vicious propensities who had been alarmed by the influence which missionaries were acquiring over his subjects. At the ill-fated moment when he was planning the massacre of all missionaries, he heard of the approach of Bishop Hannington, and by his command the Bishop was killed on the eastern frontier of Uganda.

About a third of the book is from the writings of Bishop Hannington, illustrated by sketches, always humorous, drawn by that African pioneer. The story the book tells relates to one of the most thrilling episodes in the opening of Africa, when many hundreds of Mwanga's subjects suffered martyrdom rather than renounce their new religious faith. Subsequent events in Uganda, marked by the great success of Protestant and Roman Catholic missionary effort, are told in the concluding chapters. Sixty thousand persons are now members of the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Catholic faith also has a vast number of adherents. Recently, however, the population of over 1,000,000 has suffered terribly from the ravages of sleeping sickness, and, since the opening of the railroad and the influx of population from Mombasa and Zanzibar, the physical results of vice have intensified the evils that imperil this fine race.

Bishop Hannington was a great pioneer teacher and the book is a worthy record of the work he did and of the bloody era of which he was one of the first victims.

Trois Années de Chasse Au Mozambique. Par Guillaume Vasse. 190 pp., 55 Illustrations and 1 Map. Hachette & Co., Paris, 1909. (Price, 4 fr.)

More serious motives than sport in the wilds of Africa took the author to the virgin field of Mozambique. He went there as the agent of various societies of natural history to make studies and collections for them. He spent three years in a part of this Portuguese territory which was almost entirely unknown, and his results, therefore, have much geographical value. A hunter of experience, Mr. Vasse obtained very fine specimens of most of the mammalia and birds of the region. His narrative, which was earlier published in *Tour du Monde*, describes his work in all its variety and is illustrated by many fine photographs, chiefly of the big game of Mozambique.

Das Trappisten-Missionskloster Mariannhill, oder Bilder aus dem afrikanischen Missionsleben. Im Auftrage seiner Obern gesammelt von einem Ordenspriester. (small quarto.) 186 pp., Map and Many Photographic Reproductions. B. Herder, St. Louis, Mo., 1907. (Price, \$1.25 net.)

Mariannhill, a few miles from the port of Durban, Natal, is famous for its flourishing mission station under the care of the Trappists. Hundreds of boys, girls and young people of the Kaffir tribes are gathered here every year under the influence of European missionaries and sisters, who ground them in reading,

writing and arithmetic and teach them all kinds of trades, from gardening and the arts of housewifery to the building trades, printing and cabinet-making.

Out of this useful institution has just come a volume, published by Herder in fine style, illustrating the life at this busy centre of civilizing influences. It celebrates the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of this institution. Missionaries in various parts of Africa have written books descriptive of their pioneer labours, but none has yet appeared which more faithfully and minutely depicts in text and picture the various phases of the great work going on to-day in so many parts of Africa, of teaching to untutored millions the dignity and usefulness of labour and of training them to toil efficiently in many branches of skilled labour. The numerous exceptionally fine photographs in the book show the native life of the blacks and their development as they learn from the devoted European friends the many ways in which they may become more useful to themselves and to the whites who now live among their people. The book is to be recommended as one of the best products illustrating the marvelous changes that are now in progress among vast numbers of the native African population.

Greece. Handbook for Travellers. By Karl Baedeker. cxxvi and 447 pp., 16 Maps, 30 Plans, 2 Diagrams and a Panorama of Athens. 4th Edition. K. Baedeker, Leipzig, 1909. (Price, M. 8.)

The handbook has been revised and enlarged so as to incorporate the important results of recent archæological research as well as the advances in the means of communication in Greece. Many sections have been rewritten.

Historical Atlas with Chronological Notes. By E. A. Benians and T. H. Knight. 89 pp. and 44 Maps. George Gill & Sons, Ltd., London, 1908 (?). (Price, 8d.)

A small atlas providing material for a general knowledge of English history and especially arranged for use in preparing examinations. The maps cover British history from B. C. 55 to the India of to-day and the recent battlefields in South Africa. They are not of the best execution, but clearly express the facts; and opposite each coloured plate is a page of chronological notes outlining the history which the map illustrates.

Washed by Four Seas. An English Officer's Travels in the Near East. By H. C. Woods. Introduction by Sir Martin Conway. xvi and 316 pp., Maps and over 60 Illustrations from the Author's Photographs. T. Fisher Unwin, London, 1908.

While the author was in the British army he travelled extensively in Balkan countries and made a journey also in Anatolia to obtain information on certain military and other questions. His book is not a continuous narrative of his wanderings, but he groups under such headings as "Defences of Constantinople," "The Rhodope Balkans," "The Turks," and "Bulgaria and the Bulgarians" the impressions he derived from his travels. The interest of his book is enhanced by the fact that his routes were largely off the beaten tracks. His impressions are simply expressed and indicate a careful observer and a desire accurately to express what he thought best worth describing. Some of his most attractive pages in the chapter on the Bulgarians and their country, for example, deal with the character and life of the peasants, their customs, vocations, schools and pastimes, espe-